

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-4. (Cancelled).

5. (Original) A screen printing apparatus for printing paste onto a substrate via pattern apertures of a mask plate by sliding a squeegee head on the mask plate, said squeegee head comprising:

(a) a paste storage for storing paste;

(b) a pressure applying member for applying pressure to the paste in said storage;

(c) a paste cell for accommodating the pressurized paste and bringing the paste into contact with a surface of the mask plate via an opening formed on a lower face of said cell;

(d) a scraper forming a front wall and a rear wall in a squeegee-moving direction, and forming a brim of the opening with a lower end of said scraper contacted with a surface of the mask plate; and

(e) a paste-shearing member, disposed in said cell and having a vertical face contacting with the pressurized paste, for shearing the paste flowing down along the contacting face.

6. (Original) The screen printing apparatus of claim 5, wherein said paste-shearing member forms a lattice.

7. (Cancelled).

8. (Original) A method of screen printing for printing paste onto a substrate via pattern apertures of a mask plate by sliding a squeegee head on the mask plate, said method comprising the steps of: